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## Statement from Comptroller Franchot Regarding Governor Hogan's Test Kit Announcement Today

**ANNAPOLIS, Md. (April 20, 2020)** - Comptroller Peter Franchot today released this statement regarding Governor Larry Hogan's announcement on COVID-19 test kits.

*"Today's announcement by Governor Hogan that Maryland has received 500,000 test kits from South Korea marks a major milestone in our ongoing efforts to save lives and combat the COVID-19 pandemic. I want to salute Governor Hogan for his continued strong and steady leadership, and to our extraordinary First Lady, Yumi Hogan, for her intervention and involvement in securing these much-needed and life-saving test kits.*

*"The widespread use of testing conducted by the South Korean government has been cited as a chief catalyst for the sharp decline of infections in that country.*

*"Given the absence of a strong federal coordinated response, states have had to fill the void of national leadership. Fortunately here in Maryland, we have a governor who is relentless in fighting for the resources that we need to combat this pandemic effectively and to protect our citizens.*

*"As the state's comptroller and as a Marylander, I want to congratulate and sincerely thank Governor Hogan, First Lady Yumi Hogan, and the entire Hogan Administration for their incredible leadership in this momentous effort."*

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